

Preface

The *Petroleum Marketing Monthly* (PMM) provides information and statistical data on a variety of crude oils and refined petroleum products. The publication presents statistics on crude oil costs and refined petroleum products sales for use by industry, government, private sector analysts, educational institutions, and consumers. Data on crude oil include the domestic first purchase price, the *free on board* cost (FOB) and *landed* cost of imported crude oil, and the refiners' acquisition cost of crude oil. Refined petroleum product sales data include motor gasoline, distillates, residuals, aviation fuels, kerosene, and propane. The Office of Petroleum and Biofuels Statistics at the, U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) ensures the accuracy, quality, and confidentiality of the published data in the *Petroleum Marketing Monthly*.

Scope of data

The data within the *Petroleum Marketing Monthly* are compiled from five EIA survey forms. The crude oil statistics are calculated from data collected on the following three survey forms: Form EIA-182, Domestic Crude Oil First Purchase Report; Form EIA-856, Monthly Foreign Crude Oil Acquisition Report; and Form EIA-14, Refiners' Monthly Cost Report.

The statistics on petroleum product sales prices and volumes are derived from Form EIA-782A, Refiners'/Gas Plant Operators' Monthly Petroleum Product Sales Report.

The data presented in Tables 45 to 47 are derived from aggregations of data from Form EIA-782C, Monthly Report of Prime Supplier Sales of Petroleum Products Sold for Local Consumption.

Sections

Monthly statistics on purchases of crude oil and sales of petroleum products are presented in the *Petroleum Marketing Monthly* in six sections:

- Highlights
- Summary statistics
- Crude oil prices
- Prices of petroleum products
- Volumes of petroleum products
- Prime supplier sales volumes of petroleum products for local consumption

The publication highlights salient statistics for the United States in the Summary Statistics section. More detailed geographic coverage occurs in the other four sections. Geographic coverage for crude oil includes country of origin for foreign crude and Petroleum Administration for Defense (PAD) Districts and individual states for domestic crude oil. Geographic coverage of the petroleum products includes PAD Districts and individual states.

Detailed statistics for crude oil, including the price of imported crude oil by country of origin, by gravity, and by crude stream, can be found in the Crude Oil Prices section.

PAD District and/or state-level statistics for petroleum products are presented in the Prices, Volumes, and Prime Supplier Sales of Petroleum Products sections. To aid the reader in determining the market changes, the majority of the tables show data for the report month and previous month for the current year, as well as the report month for the previous year.